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A+ Mark McKenna is a regular plasma donor, and was again at the Northern California Community Blood Bank last week, with Donor Care Specialist Makayla Thomas. See page 4 for more donors in action. MATT FILAR | UNION

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Council doles \$4.4M in recovery money

Climate, housing, restaffing, Valley West are big priorities

Kevin L. Hoover
MAD RIVER UNION

ARCATA — \$4.4 million is a lot of money, especially when that princely sum — Arcata's share of the \$350 billion American Recovery Act — lands in your lap. But in allocating the multi-million dollar groundscore last week, the City Council found out how quickly worthy projects and functions can use up even a seven-figure pool of money.

Staff presented the council with a menu of the most urgent projects and programs, from which councilmembers could mix and match selections. The list was based, said a staff report, "on recovery, improving city operations for the long-term and providing financial assistance to those in the community impacted by the pandemic."

Councilmembers initially listed their top picks for funding, then got down to specifics. An initial \$1 million was set aside for climate change-related projects, with specifics to be determined later. Initial common areas of emphasis among the councilmembers were support for public safety (if not necessarily police), homeless sheltering, Valley West improvements and restoring staff positions cut during as part of pandemic response.

As they worked their way through the line items, running totals maintained by Mayor Brett Watson and City Manager Karen Diemer became desynchronized, requiring a real-time audit to reconcile the two lists. As the two tried to track down the glitch between their running

ARPA ♦ PAGE 5

Polytechnic outreach yields new details

Kevin L. Hoover
MAD RIVER UNION

ARCATA — During appearances before local interest groups, Humboldt State officials are revealing more information about the university's planned polytechnic designation and transformation. Other aspects remain vague as planning moves from scoping and self-study to implementation, where still-undecided details of the historic transformation will be hammered out.

In an Aug. 23 presentation before the Redwood Region Economic Development Corporation (RREDC), President Tom Jackson, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Jenn Capps, who has led the polytechnic transition, and Vice President & HSU Foundation Executive Director Frank Whitlach framed the redesignation as a boon to the North Coast.

Capps said the polytechnic designation will make the university a "triple threat institution" by offering new access to degree programs which are fully enrolled and inaccessible at other universities, addressing major gaps in the workforce and stimulating the North Coast economy, all while maintaining a strong liberal arts curriculum.

With its self-study phase complete and *Polytechnic Prospectus* finalized and posted at humboldt.edu/polytechnic, the document now goes to the California State University Board of Trustees for review and hoped-for approval in January. Meanwhile, further details, including curriculum and infrastructure will be fleshed out until fall of 2023, when the first of three implementation phases will begin.

The university has received a staggering \$458 million to fund the polytechnic ramp-up, with the monies designated for creating the required facilities, housing, infra-

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County wary of post-holiday COVID surge

Daniel Mintz
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HUMBOLDT — The month of August was the pandemic's worst for Humboldt County, with 2001 confirmed COVID-19 cases, 98 hospitalizations and 22 deaths.

The high case rate and the virus's expansion into younger age groups continued into early September, whose hospitalizations included a child under 10 years old and young adults.

To contain the bloom of disease, county health and education professionals urged unvaccinated residents to not to celebrate Labor Day weekend with travelling and group activities.

Steadily mounting pressure on health care capacity and the importance of continuing in-person schooling drove the urgent advice.

In a September 1 bulletin, county Health Officer Dr. Ian Hoffman asked unvaccinated residents, including



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Hoffman



Roberta
Luskin-Hawk



Chris Hartley



Sofia Pereira

children, to stay home over the long weekend due to "record hospitalizations in our county and the urgent need to help reduce exposures to COVID-19 in our schools."

Past holiday gatherings have accelerated the spread of COVID-19. With the ultra-contagious Delta coronavirus strain dominant in the county and the nation, Hoffman warned of a post-Labor Day spike.

"The last thing we want to see in our community is another spike in

cases like we saw following the winter holidays," he said.

Also included in the county's announcement were statements from Dr. Roberta Luskin-Hawk, CEO of St. Joseph Health, and Humboldt County Superintendent of Schools Chris Hartley.

Luskin-Hawk noted the "high transmissibility of the Delta variant" and described vaccination as "the safest way to protect against the spread of the virus."

COVID ♦ PAGE 4

NHUHSD: Samoa Beach Academy plan is 'unsound' and 'unlikely to succeed'

Jack Durham
MAD RIVER UNION

SAMOA — Northern Humboldt Union High School District administrators and legal staff are recommending that district's governing board deny a petition to start a new charter school called the Samoa Beach Academy.

"The district staff and legal team recommend denial of the SBA [Samoa Beach Academy] Charter Petition II on the grounds that the proposed charter school (1) presents an unsound educational program for both Career Technical Education ("CTE") and special edu-

cation students; and (2) is demonstrably unlikely to succeed for budgetary and other reasons," states a review of the petition posted on the district's website.

The NHUHSD Governing Board may vote on the matter when its meets on Tuesday, Sept. 14 at 6 p.m. on Zoom. The meeting ID will be available on the district's website at nohum.org prior to the meeting.

The school, which is being proposed by a group of educators and community members, would focus on training high school students in building trades, medical jobs and business

management. It would be located in a new building that would be constructed in the town of Samoa and have an enrollment of no more than 300 students, according to proponents, who want the school up and running by fall of 2023.

A message seeking comment was sent to the Samoa Beach Academy through its website last week but the *Union* did not receive a response.

Samoa Beach Academy submitted a charter proposal earlier this year, but withdrew it after district staff raised a number of concerns about the school's proposed finances and curriculum. There were also concerns about the school's ability to serve students with disabilities.

The district has some of the same concerns with the new petition.

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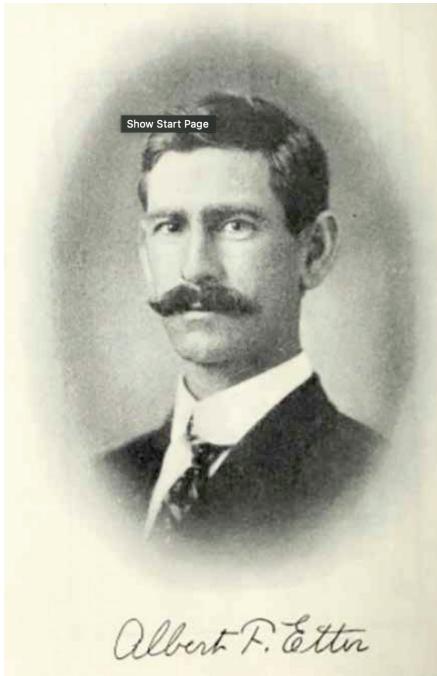
Orchardist Albert F. Etter's accomplishments

HUMBOLDT COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

HUMBOLDT — The Humboldt County Historical Society is proud to offer its continuing Saturday lecture series on Saturday, Sept. 11 at 2:30 p.m. The lecture is on the accomplishments of pioneer Humboldt County orchardist Albert Felix Etter.

Etter was one of the most talented plant breeders of the early 20th century and bred new varieties of fruits, nuts and grains. The program will focus Etter's apple breeding program headquartered out of his Lost Coast homestead and his legacy as it pertains to apples and the cider world.

The lecture will be presented by co-owner of Humboldt County Cider Company, Tom Hart. Hart lives among the redwoods with his wife Leigh, one-year-old Carson and their two dogs. Tom enjoys exploring abandoned homestead orchards throughout the California Coastal Range and collecting scionwood for his tree re-



Albert F. Etter

pository. He is proud to say that Carson's first solid food was an Ettersberg pear and his first camping trip

was to the Albert Etter homestead this past summer.

The lecture will be hosted via Zoom by the Humboldt County Library and can be viewed from the safety and comfort of home on a personal computer, laptop, tablet or smartphone. The deadline to sign up for access to the lecture is 5 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 10.

Upon registration, participants will receive the meeting ID and password. Those interested in this lecture and others, can find information at the library website, humlib.org by clicking on the calendar of events and finding the event listed on Saturday, Sept. 11.

Assistance in signing up is available by phone at Humboldt County Library (707) 269-1915. Links to instructional YouTube videos for guidance in understanding how to access the zoom lecture are also available through the Humboldt County Library website.

HSU alumnus Dan Phillips donates \$1 million for scholarships

HUMBOLDT STATE

HUMBOLDT STATE — Harnessing the momentum of Humboldt State University's push to become a polytechnic, alumnus and donor Dan Phillips ('91, Business and Computer Information Systems) has committed \$1 million in scholarships, including a \$100,000 challenge for matching gifts, for local high school students who attend HSU.

Thanks to a \$1 million commitment from Dan Phillips, students all four Eel River Valley high schools (Fortuna, Ferndale, South Fork and South Trinity) are now eligible for scholarships totalling up to \$4,000 each.

His goal, he says, is to inspire more students from his hometown in Humboldt County's rural Eel River Valley to go to college. Phillips hopes that his \$100,000 matching fund challenge will in-

spire other donors to create similar scholarships to support students from Arcata, Eureka and McKinleyville schools.

The \$1 million commitment expands the Dan and Cindy Phillips Fortuna Scholarship, which Phillips and his wife established in 2019 for Fortuna High School graduates attending HSU. Students from all four Eel River Valley high schools (Fortuna, Ferndale, South Fork, and South Trinity) are now eligible for scholarships totalling up to \$4,000 each.



Dan Phillips

totalling up to \$4,000 each. Recipients may attend as either transfer students from College of the Redwoods or first-time freshmen.

"We are honored that Dan and Cindy Phillips believe in the value of HSU and our ability to provide a life-changing education for local students," says Frank Whitlatch, HSU's vice president for University Advancement and Executive Director of the HSU Foundation. "We hope others will rise to the challenge of this incredibly generous matching gift fund and increase the impact we can make in Humboldt County."

Watson DUI arraignment set for Monday, Sept. 13

MAD RIVER UNION

ARCATA — Arcata Mayor Brett Watson will be arraigned Sept. 13. He's charged with four misdemeanor counts of suspicion of driving under the influence, having a blood-alcohol level of 0.08 or higher and a special allegation of 0.15 or higher, plus possession of a controlled substance and possession of a "smoking device" for a controlled substance.

Watson's arrest took place the evening of Sunday, Aug. 1, when the California Highway Patrol spotted him driving erratically in Northtown. He was booked into the Humboldt Correctional Facility and later released.

He has not disclosed the specific controlled substance he was allegedly carrying. The charges are listed in a complaint filed by the Humboldt County District Attorney's Office.

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Humboldt State spirit comes to town

ARCATA MAIN STREET

ARCATA — Arcata Main Street joins with partners at HSU Admissions, HSU Athletics, the City of Arcata, Arcata Chamber of Commerce and equity arcata's Welcoming Businesses Committee to bring some COVID-safe community and Humboldt State spirit to G and H streets between HSU, Northtown and Downtown (and beyond if there is excitement... all are invited) between September 10 and 30!

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2. Let us know and OUR TEAM can help

decorate and bring some fun items from HSU to spruce up your decorations on Thursday, Sept. 9 between 10 and 2 p.m.

3. Join the team and help "paint the town green and gold" between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 9 (meet on the Eighth Street side of the Arcata Plaza)

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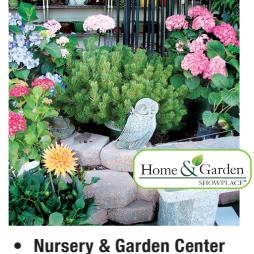
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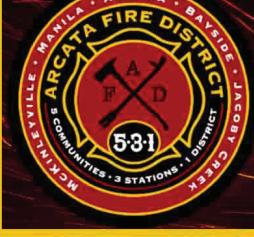
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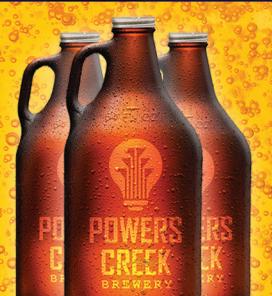


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Thanks for the great response to our story about Seamus the movie star dog! If you're looking for a dog to star in your own show, here are a couple of big puppies for this week.

One-year-old Kita had been what we sometimes refer to as a frequent flyer at the shelter. He was on his third visit when his people seemed to lose interest in coming to get him. My guess that the combination of a young, social (and unaltered) dog and owners that didn't give him a lot of attention led to Kita setting out on his own to find more fun.

We heard from our friends over at Humboldt Pet Supply that Kita had been in their neighborhood shortly before his arrival at the shelter. They sent us a photo of him with one of their dogs and a testimonial as to how well he plays with others!

Like many of our young dogs, the long hours in a kennel make him a little excited when it's finally his turn to get out with a volunteer but he is actually pretty good on the leash once he's had a moment to unwind. He loves to play with toys and will make up his own games of toss the toy or maneuver the soccer ball to entertain himself. He is goofy and good-natured and ready to learn.

Kita takes treats very gently and already knows Sit and Down. Kita is consistently good with other dogs and may have the potential to live with cats as well. He is now neutered, micro-chipped and current on his vaccinations. He weighs in at about 70 pounds.

If you are interested in Kita the first step is to fill out an



DOGTOWN
Mara Segal

adoption application which can be found by going to humboldtgov.org/2658/Animal-Shelter.

After the application has been submitted you can call the Humboldt County Animal Shelter at (707) 840-9132 to make an appointment to meet him. He would love to meet you!

If you're looking for a super-sized pup then maybe Marty the Mastiff mix is the one for you! Weighing in at 120 pounds, he is looking for someone with room in their heart and home for a big dog.

Marty is playful and dog friendly and is another that has been Fern-tested. At about a year old he is still a big puppy and can use a little guidance. He would do well with

you.

For more information on Marty, please contact Redwood Pals Rescue at redwoodpalsrescue@gmail.com or

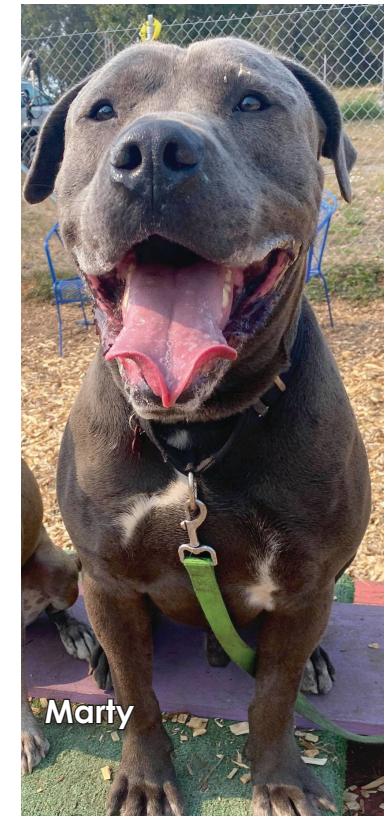


Kita

someone who has some experience with big dogs as we've found that a dog that size needs to have better than average leash skills to avoid accidentally dragging their handler in an unexpected direction!

Marty had an overnight away from the shelter and his host reported that he was happy to stay close to the house without any interest in going off exploring on his own.

Marty has shown some interest in agility-type activities and has made us laugh by carefully ducking under one of the agility hurdles in the yard. He enjoys sitting on the pause tables and has even maneuvered through the weave poles. He is happy to learn new skills and likes to make his human friends happy. He has even been spotted splashing in the wading pool and sharing it with Fern. There's not much space left when they are both in there!



Marty

Providence St. Joseph opens monoclonal antibody clinic

PROVIDENCE ST. JOSEPH

EUREKA – Providence St. Joseph Hospital in Eureka has launched a monoclonal antibody therapy (MAB) clinic (Regen-Cov) and will administer the treatment at a newly repurposed area of the hospital. The clinic, which opened on Tuesday, is an outpatient program and will treat eligible patients who have tested positive for COVID-19, experiencing early mild to moderate symptoms that occurred in the last 10 days, and are at high risk for more serious symptoms and potential hospitalization.

Operated by hospital staff and by appointment only, the clinic will be open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. The monoclonal antibody therapy needs an order from a physician or licensed Advanced Practice Provider. Patients who are eligible need an order from their provider to get a referral for treatment.

"As an organization dedicated to health equity, Providence's COVID-19 response in Humboldt County has focused on providing innovative, compassionate care to our community," said Roberta Luskin-Hawk, MD, chief executive for Providence in Humboldt County. "Two weeks ago, this was just an idea. It's a testament to the dedication of our staff to be able to mobilize and operationalize this critical treatment program to help us fight this terrible disease in such a short time. I could not be



MAB SQUAD St. Joe's monoclonal antibody nurses.

VIA PROVIDENCE ST. JOSEPH

prouder of our staff who continues to answer the call for their patients."

The infusion treatment takes 20 to 30 minutes, then patients (18 years of age or older) are monitored for an hour for any side effects that may occur following the infusion. There is no cost to the patient and treatment is offered regardless of immigration status or health insurance.

"We know that monoclonal antibody treatments may help patients avoid progression of mild symptoms into severe disease requiring hospitalization or leading to death," said Travis Sewalls, MD, chief medical officer for Providence in Humboldt County.

"The availability of this clinic offers Providence another tool in combating the

devastating effects of this pandemic and in alleviating the burden of the county's health care infrastructure. We're excited to share that our first patient has already completed treatment."

In addition to introducing the new MAB clinic, Providence St. Joseph Hospital also welcomed eight new traveling caregivers to their ranks earlier this week – six intensive care unit RNs and two respiratory therapists. The additional staff were sourced through the Medical Health Operational Area Coordinator (MHOAC) as part of the

hospital's exhaustive and ongoing efforts to improve staffing to better care for the community during the increase in hospitalizations due to the Delta variant.

"ICU nurses and respiratory therapists are critical in the care of COVID-19 patients," said Luskin-Hawk. "These additional caregivers will be met with open arms and gratitude as they enter our hospitals. Even with these additional resources, vaccination is our best defense against COVID-19."

About Providence in Humboldt County

Providence (formerly St. Joseph Health) is committed to meeting the highest standards in health care delivery while ministering to the needs of the whole person – body, mind and spirit. This commitment to the people of the North Coast is expressed in the Providence's five core values – Compassion, Dignity, Excellence, Justice and Integrity. In Humboldt County, Providence offers a comprehensive network of specialty care and services including a Level III Trauma Center, Level II Neonatal Intensive Care Unit, and a Cancer Center Accredited by the Commission on Cancer. The health care ministry of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Orange began in Humboldt County during the flu epidemic of 1918.

EPD offers helpful survival tips for imperiled pedestrians

EUREKA POLICE DEPT.

EUREKA – As part of Pedestrian Safety Month, the Eureka Police Department is supporting efforts throughout September to improve pedestrian safety and help reduce crashes and injuries.

Pedestrians are more and more at risk on the road. Based on data from the Governors Highway Safety Association (GHSAs), 2020 had the largest ever annual increase, 21 percent, in the rate at which drivers struck and killed pedestrians. In California, pedestrian deaths accounted for 27 percent of all traffic-related deaths in 2019.

"It's simple: slow down and stop for pedestrians. They have the same rights to the road as everyone else," Eureka Police Sgt. Greg Hill said. "If you're walking, be mindful of vehicle traffic and be predictable. We should all be looking out for one another."

For the safety of everyone walking or driving, Eureka Police will have additional officers on patrol throughout September specifically looking for California Vehicle Code (CVC) violations pertaining to drivers and pedestrians.

These violations include right-of-way at crosswalks, illegal turns and not stopping for signs or signals (e.g., right turn on red or red light running), and speeding.

Eureka Police offers steps drivers and pedestrians can take to greatly reduce the risk of getting injured or in a crash, including staying off the phone when behind the wheel or walking:

Pedestrians

- Be predictable. Use crosswalks.
- Take notice of approaching vehicles and practice due care.
- Do not walk or run into the path of a vehicle. No vehicle can stop instantly. At 30 m.p.h., a diver needs at least 90 feet to stop.
- Be visible. Make it easy for drivers to see you – wear light colors, reflective material and carry a flashlight, particularly at dawn, dusk or at night.

Drivers

- Follow the speed limit and slow down at intersections. Be prepared to stop for pedestrians at marked and unmarked crosswalks.
- Avoid blocking crosswalks while waiting to make a right-hand turn.
- Never drive impaired.

Funding for this program is provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

COVID | Hartley: 'We are walking a fragile line'

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The school year's start includes a return to classroom teaching but there's concern that it will be short-lived. "We are walking a fragile line and need to do our collective best to minimize the spread of COVID-19 in our community," said Hartley.

In a Sept. 3 COVID-19 update, county Public Health Director Sofia Pereira urged residents to get vaccinated to protect children who aren't yet eligible to do so.

"Keeping our kids safe takes every single one of us," she said, adding that mask-wearing, avoiding gatherings and vaccination "give us the best chance to keep kids healthy and learning in school."

Vaccination doesn't completely prevent infection and transmission but the county's update included a finding that "severe outcomes from COVID-19 are considerably higher among unvaccinated individuals."

The county's first case of a vaccinated resident was confirmed in February. One fully vaccinated Humboldt County resident has died from COVID-19 since then.

The county's update added that

"during that same period, 45 unvaccinated residents have died from the virus" and "in that time, 31 fully vaccinated residents have been hospitalized compared to 197 unvaccinated residents."

But vaccine protection has limited staying power and additional doses and booster shots are already in the offing.

The county has advised that "health officials advise immunocompromised individuals who received mRNA vaccine Moderna or Pfizer to get an additional dose of the same vaccine 28 days or more after their second dose."

As noted by the county, there's a difference between additional doses and booster doses, which will be distributed this fall and at this point are recommended eight months after full vaccination "pending further review of data."

Booster doses of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine are expected to be recommended as well, again pending data analysis.

Though the county is preparing for distribution of booster doses, "Policies on boosters are still being dis-

cussed at the federal and state levels and have not been approved."

Nor is eight months a definitive timespan, as some robust studies have found that mRNA vaccine protection wanes as soon as four months after second shots.

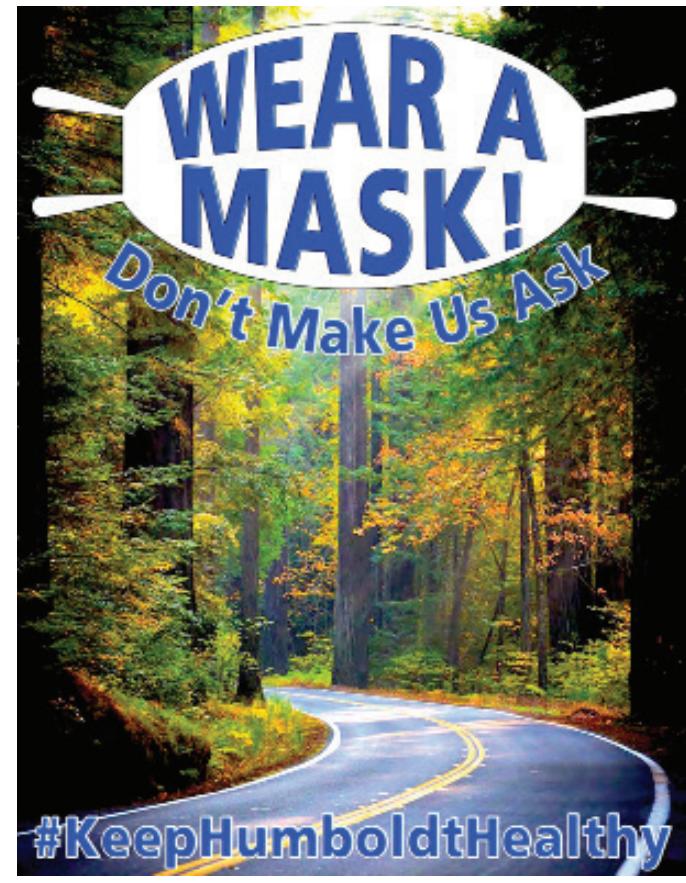
Maintaining vaccine protection could be challenging as variants continue to ascend and become dominant, replacing strains that recede after peaking.

Newly-emerged strains circulating in South America and South Africa have combinations of mutations showing resistance to immune system pressure in laboratory-based studies and are being watched with concern by national and international public health agencies.

From Aug. 30 to Sept. 5, the county confirmed 463 COVID-19 cases. There were 26 hospitalizations across a range of age groups and five deaths, of middle-aged and elderly residents.

As of the end of last week, the county had confirmed to-date totals of 7,337 COVID-19 cases, 344 hospitalizations and 75 deaths.

About 53 percent of the county's population had been fully vaccinated.



Hear the Hi/Lo? Time to go!

HUMBOLDT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

HUMBOLDT — The Humboldt County Sheriff's Office is utilizing a new way to alert the public when it is time to evacuate. All sheriff patrol vehicles are now equipped with the Hi/Lo siren, a European style 2-tone siren, that will only be used to alert residents of an immediate evacuation during emergencies such as wildfires, floods and other disasters.

The implementation of the Hi/Lo siren was made possible through California Senate Bill 909, following the devastating Tubbs Fire in 2017 during which it was determined first responders needed a new way to alert the community of immediate evacuation orders.

Due to recent wildfires in and near Humboldt County prompting wildfire evacuations, the Hi-Lo Siren is a welcomed tool to assist in public safety during evacuation emergencies.

"We have already seen statewide and here locally how wildfires can grow quickly, putting people in danger's way," Humboldt County Sheriff William

Honsal said. "The Hi-Lo siren will allow deputies to quickly alert large areas that are in immediate danger."

In addition to utilizing the Hi-Lo siren, HCSO also uses Humboldt Alert, the county's emergency alert system, to notify residents of emergency situations. Both Humboldt Alert and the Hi-Lo siren will be used to alert residents of an emergency evacuation order. Humboldt Alert is also used to notify residents of evacuation warnings, downgrades and police activity impacting public safety. Humboldt Alert is an opt-in system, meaning residents must sign up to receive the alerts. To sign up for Humboldt Alert, visit humboldtgov.org/alerts.

The community is encouraged to prepare their homes and families for the impact of wildfire. To learn how you can get prepared, visit humboldtsheriff.org/oes or readyforwildfire.org.

HCSO reminds residents to always use your best judgment during an emergency. If you hear the Hi-Lo, it's time to go!

Sex offender's alleged attempts to diversify criminal record pay off with multiple charges

HUMBOLDT COUNTY DRUG TASK FORCE

HUMBOLDT — Since early August 2021 agents with the Humboldt County Drug Task Force (HCDTF) had been investigating Hamed Shraibati, 45, for multiple violations related to cultivation of marijuana, illegal firearms possession, and trafficking of methamphetamine.

On Monday, Aug. 30, the HCDTF served a search warrant on Shraibati's commercial building in the 100 block of Seventh Street in Eureka. Inside



Hamed Shraibati



HASH LAB Agents found an arsenal of rifles, 1,300 marijuana plants and equipment of a BHO lab..



the building agents detained Shraibati without incident. Agents seized approx. 1,300 marijuana plants inside the building along with all the equipment for a closed loop BHO lab.



HUMBOLDT DRUG TASK FORCE PHOTOS

Agents also located about 10 grams of methamphetamine and digital scales.

Agents served a search warrant on Shraibati's residence in the 300 block of Laura Lane in Bayside. Inside the residence agents located a short-barreled AR-15 style rifle with an attached silencer, a second AR-15 style rifle, an illegal short barreled shotgun, and two additional shotguns.

Shraibati is a convicted felon and a registered sex offender. Because of these previous convictions he is not allowed to possess firearms, and it is a felony for him to possess any amount of methamphetamine. Shraibati did not possess any permits for his marijuana cultivation operation in the City of Eureka.

Shraibati was booked at the Humboldt County Jail for the following charges:

- Manufacturing a controlled substance
- Cultivation of marijuana
- Felony possession of methamphetamine
- Possession of a short-barreled rifle
- Felon in possession of firearms
- Possession of a silencer
- Possession of an assault weapon

Anyone with information related to this investigation or other narcotics related crimes are encouraged to call the Humboldt County Drug Task Force at (707) 267-9976.

Academy | Proposal a 'dangerous combination' of unrealistic, underfunded concepts

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The review states that the school would rely on too much online learning and would have trouble recruiting qualified teachers. The review also states that the proposed charter demonstrates the academy's lack of understanding about special education classes and requirements.

"The dangerous combination of misappropriating special education and not providing appropriate services, invites expensive litigation," states the petition review. "Failures to serve special education students come with steep fiscal consequences, as each due process case in which the [school district] does not prevail entirely requires the [school district] to pay for the other party's attorneys' fees, in addition to the [school district's] own attorneys' fees."

According to the district's review of the petition, Samoa Beach Academy has budgeted for one special education teacher/ coordinator for an estimated 15.2 percent of students with disabilities.

"SBA has not accounted for the numerous other related services that may be necessary for students with disabilities, such as special education teachers credentialed to serve students with whose disabilities re-

quire them to spend more than 50 percent of their day in special day classes; behavioral consultants; physical therapists; school nurses; services for students with low incidence disabilities; adaptive physical education; transportation; educationally related intensive counseling services; to name some related services that all districts typically provide," states the petition review.

The review also says that the proposed academy will likely need more special ed teachers than it has budgeted for.

"By SBA's calculations, they will have a low special education population of 15.2 percent, far below the county average. Indeed, in Petition I, SBA predicted that 19.5 percent of its population would be students with disabilities. If the special education caseload calculation is based on an unrealistic 15.2 percent, the expected number of students to be served in year one is 22-23, not 27 as stated," states the petition review.

"If the special education caseload calculation is based on 19.5 percent, which is more realistic, the expected number of students to be served in year one is 29-30, which means that SBA would need to hire more than one Special Education Teacher in year one in order to comply with relevant state

and federal law. SBA has no budget for this, so the result would be a significantly negative year one cash balance, which would be compounded annually."

Another problem cited in the review is the high cost of leasing a school building.

According to the academy's proposal, The Danco Group, the owner of Samoa, would build an 18,800-square foot school in Samoa and lease it to Samoa Beach Academy. Lease payments would be \$300,000 a year for the first year, then climb each year, reaching \$649,459 in the fifth year.

"Given the increase in facilities costs budgeted from \$321,600 to \$629,220 over five years, and the margins that SBA will be operating under based on their own assumptions, SBA will really need to hit its Average Daily Attendance ("ADA") growth to 300 students by the 2027-2028 school year. However, local history indicates that SBA will not meet this target," the review states.

"By example, Six Rivers Charter High School, a very successful charter school, has an enrollment of slightly above 100 students. They opened with approximately 35 students in 2005 and took three years to reach their goal of 25 students per grade level. Hard work and building

on their reputation allowed them to reach and maintain their enrollment goals," the review states. "Also locally, Northcoast Preparatory Academy which was founded in 2000, has developed a national reputation and added a middle school program. Their annual high school enrollment is just over 100 students. Northern United – Humboldt Charter High School's typical enrollment is 150 students county-wide though currently it stands at 90 students. Conversations with administration and faculty at charter schools across the county have revealed stories of fighting to make it in the early years and then working hard to keep their enrollment where they need or want it to be."

The petitioners for the charter school include Catherine Scott, an adjunct professor at National University; Patti Campbell, owner of Mad River Lumber; David Lonn, former executive director of NHUHSD and former Mack High principal; Julianne Eagle, vice president of marketing for The Danco Group; Troy R. Nicolini, meteorologist in charge at the National Weather Service in Eureka; and Charles Petrusha, president and CEO of Advanced Security Systems.

ARPA | No shortage of worthy projects

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counts, meeting viewers enjoyed a rare look at the sausage-making nature of local governance with its excruciating arithmetic. That ended when audio of the Watson-Demer sidebar was cut, depriving viewers of hearing the ultimate reconciliation.

In the end, the council allocated the funds as follows:

• \$570,000 to fund the Mobile Intervention Services Team (MIST), in keeping with a recommendation of the Public Safety Committee in its annual report, delivered earlier in the meeting. Presently grant funded at 32 hours per week, the MIST mental health and social workers have been riding along with Arcata Police four days per week, offering non-law enforcement assistance with the goal of avoiding criminalizing individuals where services are a more appropriate solution. The new funding will support 40 hours of MIST assistance for one year, including a behavioral health specialist.

• \$685,000 for the Safe Parking Program, which provides those using their vehicles for shelter safe places with utilities to park overnight while working towards a transition to permanent housing. Presently, residential vehicles park in numerous locations around town, creating neighborhood safety, litter and hygiene problems and leaving the vehicle campers vulnerable. The initial program will provide space for up to 30 vehicles, plus porta-potties, mobile showers, electricity, food service, a case worker to transition residents to permanent solutions, and other infrastructure. A location has yet to be selected, and vehicles will be added 10 at a time as the program ramps up.

• \$519,000 for restoring staff positions. These include a street maintenance crew leader; parks maintenance worker; recreation coordinator; community develop-

ment specialist, and a police officer. While two officers were initially proposed for the understaffed APD and supported by Watson, Councilmember Emily Grace Goldstein favored directing resources toward non-enforcement needs, and as part of the horse-trading between councilmembers, one officer was traded for another maintenance worker.

• \$217,500 for Valley West. Comunidad Unida del Norte de Arcata (CUNA) has taken the lead on community health, business support and neighborhood park events in Arcata's northernmost neighborhood, along with community space/facility development projects, and Valley West is listed among the City Council's priority projects. City staff will create a scope of work for council approval.

• \$500,000 for climate action, including electrification of the City Hall's antiquated heating and ventilation system; purchase of electric vehicles and phase-out of natural gas in favor of electric utilities in new construction.

• \$200,000 for beautification, including \$25,000 to focus on dressing up the G and H street corridor connecting HSU to the Plaza; plus \$40,000 for Arcata Arts and Cultural Plan Implementation, improving utility and key dilapidated visual areas with murals, sculptures and art.

• \$180,000 to install broadband conduit and fiber between City Hall and the Corporation Yard, which presently relies on an erratic radio link.

The council also set aside \$408,000 for housing, including assistance for Arcata House, with specifics to be determined following upcoming presentations.

The City's total ARPA allocation is \$4,409,087. The first distribution of \$2,204,543 has been deposited. The City expects the second chunk of money to be delivered in June of 2022.

Polytechnic | Intensive planning underway

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structure and curriculum.

Capps said polytechnic programs have been fashioned to fill gaps in HSU's offerings, to expand offerings which are fully booked at other polytechnics, to address workforce needs and help address California's problems and priorities. Thus engineering and technology have been emphasized in addition to already strong applied science.

RREDC participants urged the HSU officials to include an aviation element to the curriculum, and to look at ways for the polytechnic to help Humboldt retain its water rights, which are subject to possible revision in the year 2029.

With the student population projected to more than double to 11,000 by 2029 and staff to expand as well, housing is the "most challenging issue," Capps said. The university now provides just 2,000 beds on campus, which Jackson said can be doubled.

Some of the projected student enrollment increase can be controlled by measured rollout of new academic programs. Also helping to moderate housing pressure is that just 60 percent of classes are expected to take place face-to-face, with the rest to be conducted online.

Capps said that co-location will be emphasized in creation of new facilities, with housing, academic and amenities such as retail space to be mingled. "Co-locating using mixed-use space is correlated with better learning outcomes, and frankly, in my experience, it's more pleasing to the community as well because the community gets a little something as well," Capps said.

To help with housing and improve safety and aesthetic conditions on the Arcata side of the pedestrian footbridge, Jackson said the university attempted to lease or acquire Northtown's Fairwinds Motel, but was declined.

As for the pending, 800-bed, four building housing complex to be built at the Craftsman Mall, at the August meeting of Arcata's Public Safety Committee,

member Fred Johansen said he and other Westwood-area residents are alarmed about the planned project just east of their neighborhood. (The committee formed three subcommittees to study safety issues in central Arcata, the Westwood/Craftsman Mall area and in Valley West.)

The Craftsman Mall project uses initial plans for the abandoned The Village housing project as a starting point for planning. Johansen erroneously put the tentative student population there at 1,600, apparently misreading the planned 800 beds as being 800 two-student housing units.

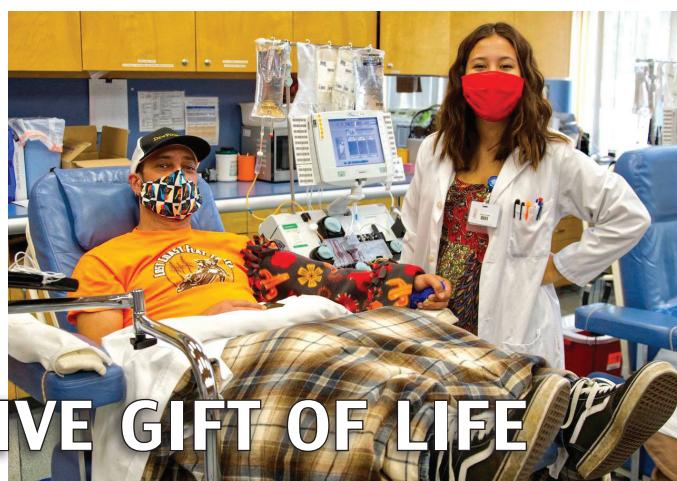
But his concern wasn't entirely unfounded. During a subsequent presentation to the Arcata Chamber of Commerce, HSU officials said there is significant pressure to add still more beds on the site.

"There are a lot of people convinced that we could do quite a bit more than 800 out there and the need is certainly great," Whitlach said. He said planning is in "high gear" to move quickly on the project.

Arcata Community Development Director David Loya said the density of the student population and other aspects of the planned development are beyond Arcata's control. With the property now owned within the CSU system, "the project is going to be permitted by the state, so it is not technically subject to our regulations," Loya said. "So even if we did have regulations around population density, they wouldn't apply."

Follow-up questions to university staff about further expanding the Craftsman Mall housing, co-location of amenities there, access routes and connectivity elicited few further details, on grounds that plans are still morphing. Capps said an updated HSU Master Plan is in the works.

Connie Stewart, executive director of initiatives for HSU, said the university is in talks with local medical providers to find ways to expand local healthcare to adequately serve the much larger student and staff population.



BLOOD BROTHERS/SISTER With supplies at the Northern California Community Blood Bank strained even further by the COVID-19 pandemic, community leaders are stepping up to kick down the prized fluid. Left, Joanne McGarry recently donated a pint of the life-giving red stuff. Middle, Mark McKenna, with Donor Care Specialist Makayla Thomas, is a regular plasma donor. Right, Gene Joyce was termed a "true hero" by the blood bank last week on the occasion of reaching the 50-gallon donation mark, "I would like to challenge each and everyone of you to make a donation in my honor this month," Joyce said. There are three types of donations: whole blood (takes 45 minutes, eligible again in 56 days), plasma (takes 1-1/2 hours, eligible again in 28 days), and platelets (takes 2 hours, eligible again in seven days). For more information and to find the locations of the Bloodmobile today, visit nccbb.net or on Facebook. TOP LEFT PHOTO VIA JOANNE McGARRY; MIDDLE AND SIGN PHOTOS BY MATT FILAR | UNION; RIGHT PHOTO VIA NCCBB

On March 15, the Woodcraft Sewing Club was entertained by Mr. and Mrs. James Peets, assisted by the Martin family. A depression party was the theme, and a special prize was awarded to Ida Carpenter as being the most destitute looking.

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County approves McK residential parcel split

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MAD RIVER UNION

HUMBOLDT — McKinleyville's housing stock will get a slight bump-up with the county Planning Commission's approval of a Babler Road subdivision.

The splitting of a 1.3-acre parcel located on Babler Road about 1,500 feet from

the Central Avenue intersection was unanimously approved by the commission at its September 2 meeting.

Already developed with a single family home and a large detached shop building/garage, the parcel split facilitates conversion of the detached structure into a

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1837 BABLER ROAD The location of the residential subdivision.

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second residential unit.

The county's Planning Department has gotten written comments from three neighbors who expressed concerns about the narrowness of parts of Babler Road and drainage.

County Planner Steve Lazar said the parcel's location doesn't present drainage issues and most commissioners weren't convinced that the project will put traffic pressure on Babler Road.

Nor did they support a Department of Public Works (DPW) recommendation to require installation of a curb, gutter and sidewalk along the parcel's frontage.

According to a written staff report, the subdivision's applicant, Beth Rynearson, requested an exemption from sidewalk installation due to there being no other sidewalks on Babler Road and none likely to be.

Commission Chair Alan Bongio agreed.

"When I look at this road, it doesn't look like there's going to be a whole lot more development happening here," he said. "There's no sidewalk anywhere within sight, if you look at any of the maps, so I think it's just ridiculous to require a sidewalk in an area that isn't going to have a whole bunch of infill or projects happening adjacent to it."

But the DPW offered two alternatives to a sidewalk, including adding five feet of paving along Babler Road instead.

There was a suggestion to require only curb and gutter installation but Bongio didn't support it, saying that are no other curb and gutter installations in the area and "it would just be one more tripping hazard."

The additional paving was added as a condition and the subdivision was approved by a majority vote. Commissioner Mike Newman voted against it, saying he supports the project but doesn't believe the added paving is necessary.

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MARSH TOUR Friends of the Arcata Marsh (FOAM) is sponsoring a free tour of the Arcata Marsh & Wildlife Sanctuary on Saturday, Sept. 11. Meet leader Paul Johnson at 2 p.m. in front of the Interpretive Center on South G Street for a 90-minute walk focusing on plants, general marsh ecology, and “tiny creatures that are often overlooked.” Bring a mask to comply with current COVID rules. (707) 826-2359.

you plan to attend by text/messaging Ralph Bucher at (707) 499-1247, or email the-book@reninet.com with the walk date and name, email and phone number for each participant.



BIRDING AT WILDLIFE REFUGE Redwood Region Audubon Society will offer a free guided birding tour at Humboldt Bay National Wildlife Refuge on Sunday, Sept 12, 9 to 11 a.m., with leader Ralph Bucher. This is a wonderful, two- to three-hour trip for people wanting to learn more about the birds of the bay area.

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BIRDING AT THE MARSH

Join Redwood Region Audubon Society for a free guided field trip at the Arcata Marsh and Wildlife Sanctuary on Saturday, Sept. 11, 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Meet leader Carol Wilson at the end of South I Street (Klopp Lake) in Arcata. Bring your binoculars and have a great morning birding. Please visit rras.org for COVID-19 participation guidelines. Let us know Humboldt Bay area. It takes a leisurely pace with an emphasis on enjoying the birds! Beginners welcome. Please visit rras.org for COVID-19 participation guidelines. Let us know you plan to attend by text/messaging Ralph Bucher at (707) 499-1247, or email thebook@reninet.com with the walk date and name, email and phone number for each participant.





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Supes award \$404,601 for street outreach to unsheltered residents

COOPERATION HUMBOLDT

EUREKA — Every night hundreds of people in Humboldt County sleep outside. Cooperation Humboldt, a local social change organization, believes that health and housing are human rights. On August 24, 2021, the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors awarded a \$404,601 Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Program for Coronavirus grant through the Department of Health & Human Services to Cooperation Humboldt's street outreach project.

For the past few months, Cooperation Humboldt's Community Health Workers have been talking with unsheltered residents to establish relationships and listen to peoples' insights, concerns and stories. Those conversations are the first step in Cooperation Humboldt's Human Centered Design process - engaging the people being served in the design of their own solutions. With funding from the ESG grant, Cooperation Humboldt will perform a needs assessment of every individual enrolled in the program and then work with each person to create a client-driven individualized plan to address that person's urgent physical needs as well as other needs. They will then connect those residents to available



housing and health resources and support them through the process of finding housing. Cooperation Humboldt plans to train and employ several program participants as Peer Community Health Workers to participate in this work.

The street outreach project was initiated by Eureka City Councilmember Leslie Castellano. Castellano also serves on Cooperation Humboldt's Care and Wellness Team.

"There is a great need in Humboldt County and Eureka for innovative, person-centered approaches to community well-being. I deeply appreciate the Community Health Worker model and am excited to support this work. As a society, we must ceaselessly endeavor to meet the changing needs of our community in ways that provide brilliant possibilities for what is possible," said Castellano.

The project is part of Cooperation Humboldt's larger Community Health Worker (CHW) Collaborative. Using a Human Centered Design approach with the support

of ThinkPlace, they co-develop and implement programs with direct participation and leadership from within the communities they serve, ultimately leading to the development of independent, autonomous, worker self-directed nonprofit organizations.

The Community Health Worker Collaborative has already fostered the development of two independent Community Health Worker groups: New Rising Hmong Association and Comunidad Unida del Norte de Arcata (CUNA - "cradle" in Spanish).

New Rising Hmong Association is a group of Hmong women creating a non-profit organization in Eureka. The group formed in order to better connect individuals in the Hmong community to health and social services. CHW Collaborative member Lindsay McCovey from Native American Pathways serves as their mentor, sharing from her experience building an organization with similar goals on the Hoopa Valley Indian Reservation. McCovey collaborates with Cooperation Hum-

boldt Community Health Worker Sabrina Miller to support New Rising's continued development.

Christina Vang, a founding member of New Rising said, "What drew me in was to make positive changes in our community and strive for excellence because I see that although the Hmong Community has been in the US for over 30 years we are still behind, and I just want to see us move forward because I know that we can do better."

Yanly Yang, a founding member of New Rising said it is important to her that Hmong residents, "not lose sight of who we are, but be able to improve our education and knowledge, and then go from there by connecting the youth with the older generation. The more we are spread out and disconnected, the more we lose our language, culture and religion."

Mai Chang, a founding member of New Rising said, "I'm more focused on the youth because they are the future. We need to be sure to connect the youth with the older generation so that our culture is not lost."

When asked "What inspires you?" Lindsay McCovey of Native American Pathways, a Hoopa Valley Tribal member, and

descended from the Yurok and Chimariko Tribes, said "I strive to be a resource for Native people by connecting them with services that contribute to their wellness and achievement. And I know our community is resilient, and together we'll emerge stronger than before."

CUNA formed in response to the need for Latino-led community organizing and advocacy to address the unmet needs of people living in the Valley West area of Arcata. Their long-term goal is to open a community/family resource center in Valley West, possibly on the Laurel Tree Charter School campus, after the school moves to its new location in McKinleyville.

CHW Collaborative partner Lucy Salazar from Cumbre Humboldt and Cooperation Humboldt Care Team Member Oscar Mogolon coordinate the group.

According to Salazar, "A large number of minority and disadvantaged residents live in the unserved northern part of Arcata. A resource center in Valley West with Spanish-speaking staff would help address the many needs of these hardworking families and individuals: social services, food distribution, and educational and recreational opportunities."

Check the list, then bring your donations for student Welcome Packages to City Hall

Dear Home Away from Home Volunteers and Supporters,

We hope that you are staying healthy and safe during these very challenging times.

As you know, Home Away from Home strives to cultivate positive feelings of inclusion and belonging between HSU students and our local non-student community. We have done this over the last four years by organizing highly successful quarterly potlucks, and since the arrival of the COVID virus through outdoor distributions of "Take Away" welcome meals.

To refresh on our purpose and mission: Experience and student testimonials have taught us that Arcata has not always been the welcoming community we would like it to be. Incidents of racial discrimination and harassment have left many students of color feeling that they don't belong here. At Home Away From Home and through the efforts of equity arcata we have sought to become a more welcoming, equitable and inclusive community and to deliver that message to students.

However, due to the dramatic local surge in COVID infections and hospitalizations, and out of an abundant sense of caution, we

have decided not to do a Welcome Distribution at the D Street Center this fall.

Instead we are planning to partner with the on-campus Centers for Academic Excellence that serve students of color, to distribute 200 Welcome Packages, including gift certificates to local businesses, packaged food and household goods, school supplies and a pre-printed message of warm welcome.

We are partnering with HSU and are awaiting their thumbs up for the specifics of our plan, so some details may change, but regardless of when or where, we are planning to get food, school supplies, household goods and pre-printed welcome notes to HSU students.

So, what do we need from our wonderful Home Away From Home supporters and volunteers?

Donations for the Welcome Packages

Specifically, we are asking you to donate at least one each of the following items that students have expressed the need for:

- school supplies, including, engineering paper, lined paper, pencils and
- USB drives (8 or 16 GB)
- laundry soap (SMALL SIZES

PLEASE!)

- toothpaste/toiletries
- toilet paper (SMALL SIZES

PLEASE!)

- household cleaning supplies

• \$5 and \$10 gift certificates to Arcata restaurants, grocery stores or used book stores (Tin Can Mailman)

- non-perishable packaged food items like mac and cheese or canned soup

Note: ALL DONATED ITEMS MUST BE NEW AND UNOPENED! We can ONLY accept the items listed above.

Donations may be dropped off at the Arcata City Hall lobby beginning Tuesday, Sept. 7 between 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. and ending on Friday, Sept. 10.

Please call (707) 362-6313 if you have any questions or suggestions.

Thanks again for helping to make Arcata a welcoming and inclusive community!

Sincerely,

Sergio Berrueta, Wesley Chesbro, Rebecca Crow, Cati Gallardo, Gino Grandos, Anne Hartline, Romi Hitchcock-Tinseth, Gillen Martin and Marylyn Paik-Nicely Arcata

Help set transportation priorities in the Regional Transportation Plan Update

HUMBOLDT COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

HUMBOLDT — The way we choose to move ourselves through the community can have major impacts on the local economy, public health and our environment.

That is why the Humboldt County Association of Governments (HCAOG), our Regional Transportation Planning Agency, is seeking input from residents on the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) update currently underway.

The purpose of the RTP is to establish regional goals, identify present and future transportation needs and understand local deficiencies and constraints so that transportation investments can be proposed and fulfilled.

HCAOG encourages all the public to participate in the RTP update, especially those who have traditionally been underserved by the transportation system that serves our region. By providing input on this important policy document, you will help prioritize spending on local transportation projects and programs.

HCAOG's goal is to create strategies to increase mobility and accessibility for all modes of transportation, with safer and healthier

outcomes for the whole community, especially the most vulnerable users: seniors, all pedestrians, youth, people with disabilities, bicyclists and transit users.

HCAOG invites the public to participate in several ways. There is a virtual Community Dialogue & Workshop on Monday, Sept. 13 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. (with Spanish translation available). This is an opportunity for residents to share transportation viewpoints and visions, and to discuss how we can best plan and meet short-term and long-term priorities. The public may also provide input by completing an online survey in English or Spanish.

Whether you are most passionate about creating a robust public transit system, improving the state of our roads and bridges, increasing opportunities for active transportation, or delivering goods to local stores efficiently and reliably, your participation in this project will help influence Humboldt County's transportation system to improve quality-of-life standards for all.

To access the project survey or online meeting link, or to learn more, please visit the project website at bit.ly/HumboldtRTP2021.

'Creative solutions' aren't just for City Council candidates any more

Friday, August 13 6:54 a.m. An electron vampire plugged his devices onto a nitwit-riddled Mad River Parkway East store's front entrance outlets and refused to disconnect his techno-umbilicals from the corporate electro-teat.

12:17 p.m. A man reported a strong-arm robbery on 10th Street two days previous, which left visible injuries to his face and elsewhere. The robbers took his Moroccan basket, some food, plus his dentures, harmonicas, knife and shoes.

2:17 p.m. Car campers at Sixth and I streets resolved issues about their legal status by simply peeling the orange APD sticker off their license plate-less vehicle. Problem solved.

3:34 p.m. Creative problem solving also marked a neighborly dispute over plants in McCallum Circle, with the murder of one of the disputants hastily proposed.

Saturday, August 14 3 a.m. Whatever that giant animal rooting around by the trash cans at L.K. Wood Boulevard and Hidden Creek Road was, it galloped away toward California Avenue. The resident was advised to bring in any pets, lest they be converted to calories by the unknown beast.

9:27 a.m. Between entertaining the

many and frequent guests at their mobile domicile, motorhome campers on K Street contrived an innovative solution to disposing of their fecal matter — hurling it into the street.

• Sunday, August 15 10:31 a.m.

As a Fifth Street business owner attempted to trim his hedges, a volunteer landscaper appeared and took to battering the shrubs with his large machete. Police moved the unwanted blade-wielding weirdling wingman along.

2:06 p.m. A short, bald, long-bearded man addressed requests that he wear a mask at a Westwood Village store by offering to put an employee to death.

The killing would presumably be followed by a leisurely, mask-free shopping experience marred only by having to steer the cart around the crumpled corpse of the mask-requesting worker.

8:39 p.m. A family in crisis turned up in a Valley West motel's laundry room, where a drunken mother spoke nonsensically as her two girls cried while their dog, cat and three birds awaited some improvement in conditions.

Tuesday, August 17 2:47 p.m. Cat turned against cat on 10th Street, and for not the first time.

5:56 p.m. Van residents moved in for an extended stay at the

Marsh Interpretive Center parking lot, enhancing others' wildlife appreciation experience with flung trash and loud, loud music.

8:37 p.m. A Bayside Court resident generously allowed an acquaintance to stay the night at his home, giving the man keys to his house and car.

The houseguest proceeded to refuse to leave, frequently using the car as if it was his own and making changes to his benefactor's bank account.

• Wednesday, August 18 1:27 p.m.

A man just released from San Quentin contacted a woman's niece, advocating that they rendezvous in Arcata and smoke some drugs. The agonized auntie was concerned for the girl's safety.

1:35 p.m. Someone had a \$300 feast of hearty noms delivered, using an Aloha Way resident's credit card.

2 p.m. The slobby panhandlers and surrounding debris field at Samoa Boulevard and H Street gen-

erated another futile complaint.

3:55 p.m. There being no loincloth available, a drunken sign-holder clad only in shorts at Samoa Boulevard and H Street got a little too frisky around the cars waiting at the stoplight and involuntarily enduring his hot-pants explosion, and was arrested.

9:15 p.m. A man ran north on H Street, yelling "Call 911!" as another man chased him on a bicycle.

9:33 p.m. Two men, one on a bicycle, continued to argue their way northward on H Street.

9:34 p.m. Two vehicles — a van and a sports car — toyed with rock 'em sock 'em robots-like aggression maneuvers against each other in Sandra Court.

• Friday, August 20 5:36 a.m. The sleepy shire of Sunny Brae was rudely awakened by a man outside a Beverly Drive house yelling and asking for drugs.

• 9:32 a.m.

A minstrel at 13th and G Who played and sang so lustily With guitar strings a-rangin' And dreadlocks all swingin'

Was asked to do so quietly

12:42 p.m. The children's section of the library was briefly inhabited by a non-child with a shaven head and beard who re-

fused to wear a mask or leave. The situation was as unpleasant as it was unsustainable, with the interloper encouraged to move to that undefined location, "along."

6:46 p.m. A woman at a Valley West apartment complex was reported using a banned rodenticide, indiscriminately spreading it around within easy reach of children, even infants, and the many animals on the property.

She freely admitted to using what she knew was using an illegal substance, according to a witness.

11:15 p.m. A iPhone 7 stolen from the Skate Park now tracked to a footpath near 27th Street, where a black SUV with someone sleeping inside was parked. Police couldn't locate the vehicle.

• Saturday, August 21 1:28 a.m. Something named "Zeke," resplendent in hoodie and stocking cap, battled another sidewalk gladiator who sported a "chinstrap beard" outside a near-Plaza club.

In the mini-melée, the bar's front window was broken, adding another needless and costly expense to the business survival challenge.

12:55 p.m. A bear made an appearance at the intersection of Trails 6 and 11 in the Arcata Community Forest.

OPINION

❖ Sign your letter to the Mad River Union with a real name and a city of origin, plus a phone number (which won't be published) for identity verification and send it to opinion@madriverunion.com.

Don't forget to submit your recall ballot on or before Sept. 14

Suddenlink, you're infected

When the tech from Suddenlink appeared at our front door, masked, I put on my mask and welcomed him in. I led him through the front room, down the hall, and into the room with the desk and Wi-Fi equipment.

A few minutes later, I asked if he had been vaccinated.

He said, "No."

It then occurred to me that I should have asked before admitting him. I hope that, had my great-grandchildren been in the house, I would have been more careful.

As he was leaving, I followed him outside. "May I ask you what made you choose not to be vaccinated?"

He shrugged and said, "It's not for me."

I regret that I, speechless, didn't plead with him to 1) let people know that he hasn't been vaccinated before entering their home and 2) avoid entering a house where children are present. (Current rates of hospitalizations and deaths among young children are very alarming.)

No business should be sending unvaccinated employees into the interior spaces of people's homes, especially into the presence of children or others who have not been vaccinated.

Chip Sharpe
Bayside

Everyone has a bad bicyclist story

"Bikers: slow down on the forest trails" by Tricia Riel Saunders in the Aug. 25 edition reminded me of an incident that I experienced about two weeks ago.

The intersection of Harris and "J" in Eureka is the location of several dental and other offices. 824 Harris is where my dentist's office shares a duplex building with an unrelated business; separate steps and doorways. You would never know it just to drive by; there is no sign whatsoever visible from the street other than the dentist's sign. Looks like one large office.

So, I had parked my rig in the parking lot, masked up, and was walking the short walk to my dental appointment when suddenly, out of "nowhere," a bicycle loomed at me going way too fast on the sidewalk. The wide-eyed pilot came to a quick, wobbly tweak around my carcass and continued on, shocked, SHOCKED that a pedestrian on the sidewalk might be impeding his day. His mount was a clunky-looking velocipede with a motorized assist on the rear axle.

He pulled up to the adjacent office door as I was approaching the dental door. No acknowledgement or apology for scaring the bejesus out of my aging body. No recognition of our shared humanity.

As he fumbled with the key to his kingdom, I remarked that bicycles belong on the street, and I don't like being frightened. He said something like: "That's why I'm so careful." Yeah, uh-huh. He pulled his bike through the door and apparently locked himself in. The only sign at his door was "entry around back."

Later, I went around back to find his sign, only visible from the parking lot: "Dept. of Health and Human Services, Mental Health Branch, Administration." At least I got a hearty laugh out of it. You could go nuts just trying to find HEADquarters! That's a very old chestnut, the mental health professional who is a shallow back eddy in the stream of human consciousness. Remember Monk's shrink from the classic TV show? This dude could maybe pull strings and get some counseling.

Trish, I don't know what to tell you. There are many clueless people riding bikes and driving cars in dangerous and often illegal ways. They just don't care. That's the way they roll. The cyclists don't want to be in the street because people just like them are driving tons of metal around and baby might get hurt. But if YOU or I get hurt, it'll be OUR fault for being in the way.

Last I heard, the BLM operates a dedicated, off-road bicycle trail in the superb King Range. Just for cyclists. Give 'em a call. The local office is close by. Maybe when fires and COVID permit, a group camping trip to the spectacular KR could be planned where cyclists could literally knock themselves out and get a free chopper ride from the USCG in another ho-hum day of life-saving.

Timothy Crlenjak
Eureka

❖ LETTERS

Climate action needed

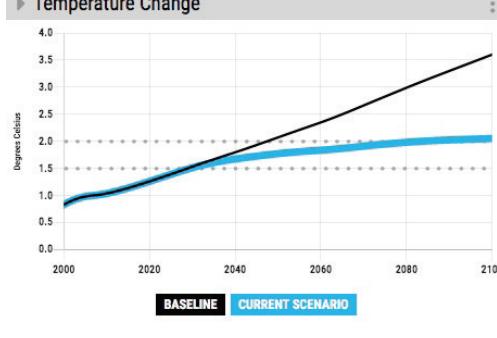
It's apparent to even the least aware that the climate crisis is here even in Humboldt County, but so far lawmakers are oblivious to real solutions. We've delayed so long now, that solutions must reduce carbon dioxide emissions radically. Individual actions like solar roofs haven't saved us; only strong government action can.

We used to believe that 1.5 degrees Celsius rise would be safe, but we're at 1.2 degrees now and damages are already too high. It'll be hard now to hold temperature rise to 2.0 degrees.

Three friends of mine have lost homes to fire in the last two years. As temperatures rise I fear more will follow.

What's the right mix of policies to restrain temperature rise? Should new legislation support efficient buildings, renewable electricity, nuclear, efficient appliances, carbon pricing, or electric cars? How about cutting coal and oil? Each option will make a difference, and MIT scientists now offer a handy way for each of us to prioritize the options.

The En-Roads model (en-roads.climateinteractive.org), from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, combines technical and economic modeling to forecast temperature rise with any mix of policies the user chooses.



+2.1°C **Temperature Increase by 2100**
+3.7°F

HOT TREND MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

It's easier to play than a video game, but it's more serious than any game. Compared with older non-gamers, young video players have more at stake in their futures. They could pass on their findings to parents and to legislators.

It turns out that one policy is essential to keep us below 2.0 degrees, regardless what other policies we choose.

Unless we place a high price on carbon dioxide pollution, other necessary policies can't work soon enough. The good news is that where pollution prices are high enough, mostly in Europe, they have reduced carbon dioxide emissions.

California claims to be at the forefront of climate protection. But heretofore lawmakers have taken only meager steps to put a price on carbon. California's cap and trade program, designed twice by fossil fuel lobbyists, results in a carbon price (\$17 per tonne) less than a tenth what En-Roads shows (\$247) is needed.

Beyond arresting the climate crisis, another issue ignored in Sacramento is how California will pay for damages (fires, floods, and sea level rise) the crisis causes. Those damage costs should be paid by fossil fuel burners who cause them, by revising cap and trade fees upward to cover losses. Need I say that fossil fuel interests continue to oppose any such idea.

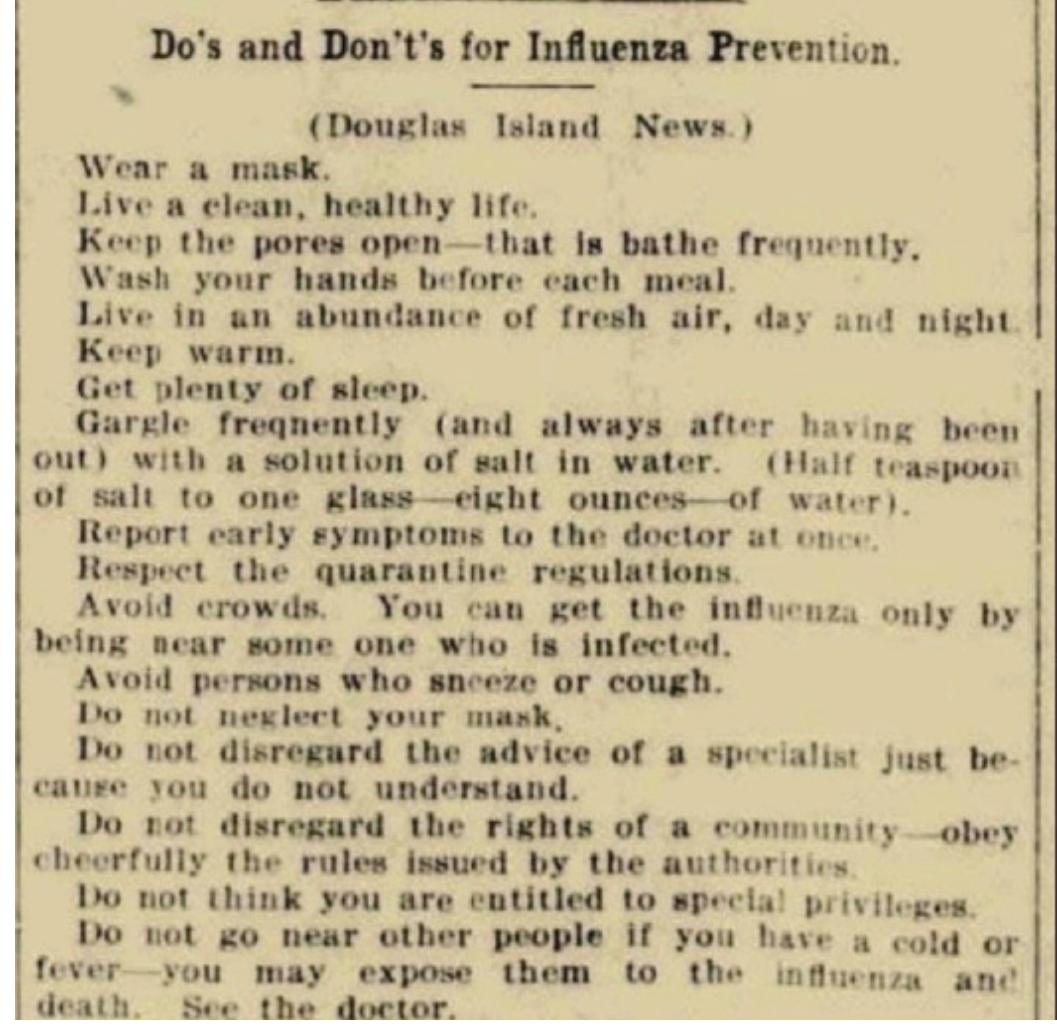
Given the urgency, we should all ask Assemblymember Wood and Senator McGuire to demand prompt, drastic revision of our moribund cap and trade program.

John Schaefer
Arcata

Eureka & HumCo's debilitated finances

As current Eureka City Councilmember Natalie Arroyo campaigns for Humboldt County supervisor, one of her, one of our, greatest challenges is the debilitated financial situation of governmental agencies.

In 2015, Eureka started paying down its pension debt with a \$900,000 payment, a yearly debt payment that increased to \$6 million in 2021, is currently scheduled to increase to \$8.4 million in 2029 and con-



NOV. 15, 1918 An Alaskan newspaper's guidelines for dealing with the 1918 flu epidemic basically hold true 103 years later for COVID-19: wear a mask, avoid crowds in close quarters and don't pretend to be exempt from biology. And observe the latest science, whether or not you like it or get it, and do what's best for your community.

DOUGLAS ISLAND NEWS

tinue until 2038.

In 2015, HumCo had \$220 million in pension debt, but could only pay 21 percent of its \$28.5 million obligation. Now, just six years later, in 2021, HumCo announced its pension debt increased to over \$330 million.

In response to this huge increase in pension debt, HumCo brings forth the projection that its pension contributions will increase by \$17 million per year for at least the next decade.

This means additional payments of, for example, \$17 million more in year 1, \$102 million more in year 6, increasing to \$170 million more in year 10.

Total increase in HumCo pension spending over the next decade: \$935 million. (HumCo also has \$250 million in deferred maintenance.)

Add Eureka and HumCo pension debt payments together and we have over \$1 billion, yes, over \$1 billion (\$1,000,000,000) in funding taken away from services over the next decade.

It will take a tremendous amount of creative thinking and many bold steps to overcome this \$1 billion loss of funding for services and get things done.

Thanks for listening,

Patrick Cloney
Eureka

Dozens of depressingly dimwitted dolts

Regardless of the outcome of California's current gubernatorial recall election, the state of California's recall provision needs to be reformed immediately after Election Day, Sept. 14. And here's why:

Any completely unqualified attention seeker with \$4,000 for the candidate's filing fee can be the largest state in the Union's next governor, so long as they survive the Battle Royale runoff where dozens of depressingly dimwitted dolts compete to be California's last political comic standing.

No need for a democratic majority of the vote, if you're one of this year's 46 ridiculous replacement candidates. After all, Hollywood action hero Arnold Schwarzenegger only received 48.6 percent of the vote when he replaced Governor Gray Davis after the successful recall vote in 2003.

Now in 2021, if California's current Democratic Gov. Gavin Newsom is recalled his Republican replacement will take over with at best half of Schwarzenegger's percentage of the vote.

Gov. Larry Elder? Yeah, I don't think so. The only thing hosting a right-wing radio show qualifies loser Larry for is admittance to a local insane asylum in L.A. when Newsom survives the recall.

For California's sake, we must change the recall law to ensure that this is the final curtain call for the crazy clown car

of recall candidates circus that has made a silly situation stupid! (And we Californians are paying \$276,000,000 for this malarkey!?)

In addition to eliminating the clown car of recall candidates, the recall provision should be reformed so that if a future governor is recalled by the voters, the sitting lieutenant governor becomes the state's next governor.

Sincerely,
Jake Pickering
Arcata

Pernicious intrusion

Those that are on the fence as to whether they will bother to vote in the recall election should take note of the tactics of neighbor snitching on neighbor from the Texas Republicans to achieve political goals.

I'm sure California Republicans will reject this pernicious intrusion into personal freedoms. They reject mask mandates, so it is a foregone conclusion they won't employ the same snitch tactics here.

You California voters who decline to vote in the recall can rest assured that those tactics will never be repeated due to the honorable nature of the California Republican Party that rejects these inarguable intrusions into "personal liberty."

Regards,
John Dillon
Eureka

Delta surge halts CenterArts season

Dear Friends,

I am writing to let you know how much I miss seeing you at our shows and also to give you an update on the CenterArts season.

In a normal year, of course, now would be the time that we would be sending out season tickets and eagerly anticipating the first shows of the year.

While it has been far too long since we have been able to gather together in the theater, the health and safety of our campus and community are the absolute priority.

Given the most recent spike in local COVID cases due to the Delta variant, we have made the difficult decision to postpone any public performances for the time being.

We will be closely monitoring the current situation and hope to give you an update on our plans as soon as we are able.

Thanks so much for your understanding. As always, we greatly appreciate your support of our program.

Stay safe!

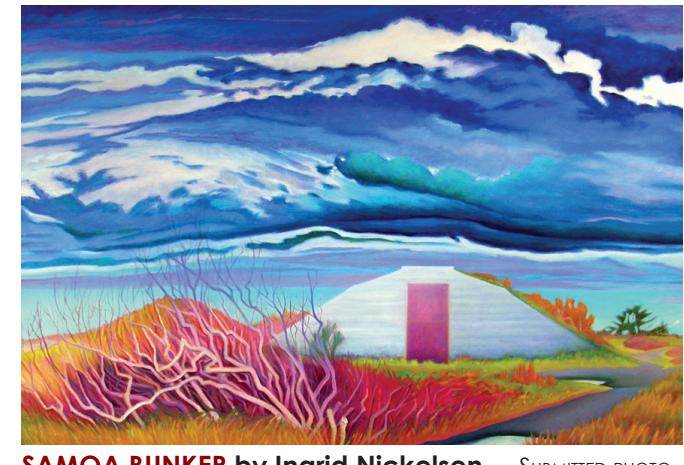
Best,
Roy Furshpan
Director, CenterArts
Humboldt State University

SCENE



ARCATA ARTISANS GALLERY Joyce Jonte', watercolor artist, and ceramic artist Loryn White are featured at Arcata Artisans Gallery, 883 H St. on the Arcata Plaza, during September. Artisans Cooperative Gallery consists of 24 local artists who truly cooperate to run the business while exhibiting their work, all made in Humboldt. Watercolor artist Joyce Jonte' continues her creative journey, describing beauty and balance, combining figures and florals with bold strokes and rich color. Her painting "Rapt," above, is among her works on display. According to ceramicist Loryn White, one small silver lining for working artists during the pandemic has been the increased availability of online workshops taught by talented artists around the globe. Loryn has participated in many such workshops, and through them has gained both practical knowledge and inspiration to explore different directions for her work. A new area of focus for her has been intentionally considering both positive and negative space in decorating her work. Additionally, she has added the use of paper and vinyl stencils to her long list of decorating tools and techniques. One of her vases is shown at right. Arcata Artisans Gallery is open everyday except Tuesday, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Masks required. arcataartisans.com

SUBMITTED PHOTOS



SAMOA BUNKER by Ingrid Nickelsen. SUBMITTED PHOTO

A call out for women artists

MORRIS GRAVES MUSEUM OF ART

EUREKA – Calling all Humboldt County women artists! The Humboldt Arts Council is excited to announce a partnership with the Ingrid Nickelsen Trust to present a juried exhibition of artwork by Humboldt County Women Artists at the Morris Graves Museum of Art scheduled next year in August 2022.

The exhibition will be open to all visual artists and the juried exhibition will be paired with a display of work by Ingrid Nickelsen in the Knight Gallery.

As an artist, Ingrid was influenced by her creative family heritage and immediate environment, especially the vast wilderness of the North Coast.

An investigation of different media led Ingrid down a path of visual exploration, beginning with rustic ceramics featuring utilitarian tools in a traditional form. These explorations ultimately resulted in vibrant, expressive plein air paintings executed from her intimate connection to the environment.

It was this instinctive need to work with the elements of nature that led her on a final expedition which has left a large void in the artistic community of the North Coast, even a decade and a half later.

The Humboldt Arts Council encourages Humboldt County women artists to begin planning for this juried exhibition that will commemorate the 15th anniversary of the establishment of the Ingrid Nickelsen Trust. Questions? Please contact Jemima Harr, HAC Executive Director at jemima@humboldtarts.org or (707) 442-0278, ext. 205.

PLANT SALE The California Native Plant Society, North Coast Chapter, invites you to attend their Fall Native Plant Sale on Saturday, Sept. 25, and Sunday, Sept. 26, at their volunteer-run nursery, located at Freshwater Farms Reserve, 5851 Myrtle Ave., Eureka. For additional information and for a list of plants offered, visit northcoastcnp.org. Due to COVID restrictions, all attendees must pre-sign up to attend. Follow instructions on the website to sign up. Due to limited on-site conductivity, check or cash payments are preferred. For additional information contact (707) 267-0397 or email northcoastcnp@gmail.com.



SUBMITTED PHOTOS

Get vaxed and protected in the Trinidad

Big Lagoon artist Matthew Dodge has an exhibit of his latest work at Forbes & Associates in Saunders Plaza in Trinidad through Oct. 26.

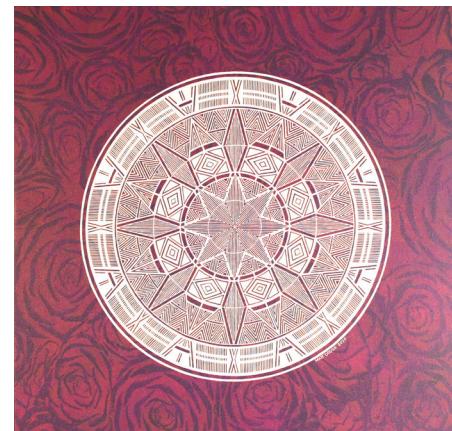
Matthew's technique is self-developed. He takes photographs in local natural settings, digitally edits them, prints them on canvas, and then meticulously hand-colors them, using a variety of color media. After coloring he hand-carves the images using rotary engraving tools and X-Acto knives until the realized image is revealed.

Matthew uses the term "Sculpted Photographs" to describe the one-of-a-kind art works. To peruse more work by Matthew Dodge, visit MatthewDodgeImages.com or contact him at mattdodge@att.net.

Trinidad vaccination clinics

The Trinidad Civic Club, together with the Humboldt County Health Department, is sponsoring a vaccination clinic at Trinidad Town Hall on Thursday, Sept. 9 from 4 to 7 p.m., with a follow up clinic three weeks later on Sept. 30.

Both the Pfizer (two shots) and Johnson & Johnson (one shot) vacci-



AURORA by Matthew Dodge on view at Forbes & Associates in Trinidad's Saunders Plaza. SUBMITTED PHOTO

nations will be available for those 12 and older. The Pfizer vaccination was officially approved by the FDA on Aug. 23.

Walk-in clients are welcome. For an appointment, go to MyTurn.ca.gov.

For health questions, or information about the recent Center for Disease Control recommendations for booster shots eight months after your first vaccinations, call (707) 445-6200.

For clinic questions, call Jan West at (707) 677-3655 or email tcc@trinidadcivic-club.org.

Trinidad Appreciation Weekend

The California Coastal Monument-Bureau of Land Management partners, which include Trinidad Coastal Land Trust, Trinidad Muse-

um, City of Trinidad, Cher-ae Heights Indian Community of the Trinidad Rancheria, Yurok Tribe, Tsurai Ancestral Society, Audubon Society, HSU Marine Laboratory, California State Parks and others, will hold a planning meeting on Thursday, Sept. 9 at 10 a.m. via zoom to finalize plans for Trinidad Appreciation Weekend, which will take place on Sept. 25 and 26 in Trinidad.

Activities will include mini kayak tours, seabird watching, fishing from the pier, bilingual walks to the Trinidad Head Lighthouse viewing area. Trinidad Civic Club will have an information table at the Memorial Lighthouse site at the harbor. Find out more by emailing info@trinidad-coastaltrust.org.

Trinidad Coastal Clean Up

Trinidad Coastal Land Trust is a Site Captain for this year's Coastal Clean-up Month hosted by the North-coast Environmental Center.

Come out on Sunday, Sept. 26, between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. and meet at Moonstone Beach or Houda Point to pick up supplies, obtain directions, and drop off trash afterwards.

The event is meant to clean up all of the beaches, trails and parking areas between the Little River and Trinidad along Scenic Drive.

Email Patti at baycity@sonic.net.

Learn about the threat to community halls at new website

With all of the crises unfolding around us every day, it is all too easy to skip over stories and events that don't loom quite so large. But what is happening to five Humboldt County former grange halls, including Bayside's, has important consequences for five local communities.

And while the story has been presented in some detail

(most recently an excellent August 12, 2021 article by Jacqueline Opalach for *Lost Coast Outpost*), I still get questions every day from concerned community members who don't understand what is happening.

Problem is, I don't understand it either. Yes, I understand the details of the lawsuits, and yes, I have read hundreds of pages of documents and rules that the Grange organization uses to justify its behavior.

But I do not understand how properties that have been paid for, maintained and managed by local organizations that hold title to them can be so easily seized by court order.

I do not understand how the Grange organization can choose to enforce some of its own rules and not others. I do not understand how a charter granted in 1932 can be so powerful that the granting organization can, more than 50 years later, take



BAYSIDE CORNERS
Carolyn Jones

away its chartered entities property rights with a simple change of its national by-laws.

And I do not understand why every grange hall across the country, including those who want to be granges, isn't outraged by such a raw exercise of corporate power.

I feel like Alice headed down the rabbit hole.

It's a David vs Goliath story. Each local group (of volunteers!) has to fight a legal battle against a national organization that has spent millions of dollars to force them into either being grange members or turning over their property. And they use some pretty outrageous tactics.

Down in Redcrest, the Grange organization stopped construction of an engine storage building for the Volunteer Fire Department. In Fieldbrook, they blatantly ignored a 45-year old agreement documented in the hall deed. Last week they froze the bank accounts of Freshwater hall, even though the legal process is still underway.

So this is really important local stuff. Things are happening in your community. The halls that are involved in this fight want to make sure that they have done everything possible to get the word out.

So they have started a website, SaveOurHalls.com. They have made short videos to share the basics about what is happening and to tell the stories of individual halls. They have collected some basic information about the Grange organization.

They have invited any community hall or grange that wants to tell its story to contribute. Please take a look and share this information. The future of your community hall is at stake.

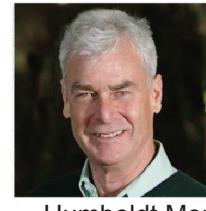


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THE GESTATION PROJECT "The Gestation Project" is a nine-month cohort of artists who met to collaborate on making works about foregoing parenthood in light of climate change. The group was sponsored by the Ink People Center for the Arts FAR grant. The cohort has gestated on the subject via Zoom for nine months, and would like to expand the discussion to the community level with a temporary exhibition at Jefferson Community Center, 1000 B St., Eureka. The exhibition will be open Saturday, Sept. 11 and Sunday, Sept. 12 from noon to 5 p.m. Artists will be gallery to discuss their work, and to engage viewers through the different media and the varying perspectives of the artists. The full schedule of artists, and examples of their work, can be found at the Instagram page @the_gestation_project. The exhibit includes guest artists who were not part of the core cohort, but with whom the cohort is excited to share this space and conversation with. The Jefferson Center is ADA accessible and guests will be limited to ten at a time. The large and spacious room will be ventilated with many open windows during visiting hours.



**PUBLIC NOTICE OF
ADOPTION OF
PRELIMINARY BUDGET
FISCAL YEAR 2021/2022**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Preliminary Budget of the Arcata Fire Protection District for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, has been adopted by the Arcata Fire Protection Board of Directors and is available at the following time and place for inspection:

Arcata Fire District Headquarters

McKinleyville Station

2149 Central Avenue, McKinleyville, CA 95519

Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

That on September 14, 2021, at 5:30 p.m. at the Arcata Station, 631 9th Street, Arcata, CA, and/or via Zoom, the Board of Directors will meet for the purpose of fixing the final budget, and that any taxpayer may appear at said time and place and be heard regarding the increase, decrease, or omission of any item on the budget, or for the inclusion of additional items.

PUBLISHED BY THE ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF ARCATA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT.

Becky Schutte

Board Secretary/Clerk

7/7, 9/8

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
21-00590**

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

**MCKINLEYVILLE OFFICE
SUPPLY**

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MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519

COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

JOSEPH P. TREPANIER

1221 MCCARTNEY LANE

MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519

CONDUCTED BY:

AN INDIVIDUAL

S/JOSPEH PAUL TREPANIER

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SEPT. 2, 2021

KELLY E. SANDERS

KT DEPUTY CLERK

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FREE HEIRLOOM SEEDS

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ARCATA, CA 95521

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42 -11TH ST.

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COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

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SOUL EARTH

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KNEELAND, CA 95549
COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT
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S/BRODERICK BROWN
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ARCATA, CA 95521

P.O. BOX 663

ARCATA, CA 95518

COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

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21-00540**

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860 11TH STREET

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**ORDER TO SHOW
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FOR CHANGE OF
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**YEHUDA GAVRIEL MI-
VASAIR**
**SUPERIOR COURT OF
CALIFORNIA**
**COUNTY OF HUM-
BOLDT**
CASE NO. CV2101126
**TO ALL INTERESTED
PERSONS:**

incumplimiento y la corte le podrá quitar su sueldo, dinero y bienes sin más advertencia. Hay otros requisitos legales. Es recomendable que llame a un abogado inmediatamente. Si no conoce a un abogado, puede llamar a un servicio de remisión a abogados. Si no puede pagar a un abogado, es posible que cumpla con los requisitos para obtener servicios legales gratuitos de un programa de servicios legales sin fines de lucro. Puede encontrar estos grupos en la web de California Legal Services, (www.sucote.ca.gov/) o poniéndose en contacto con la corte o el colegio de abogados locales. AVISO: Por ley, la corte tiene derecho a reclamar las cuotas y los costos exentos por imponer un gravamen sobre cualquier recuperación de \$10,000 ó más de valor recibida mediante un acuerdo o una concesión de arbitraje en un caso de derecho civil. Tiene que pagar el gravamen de la corte antes de la corte pueda decidir el caso.

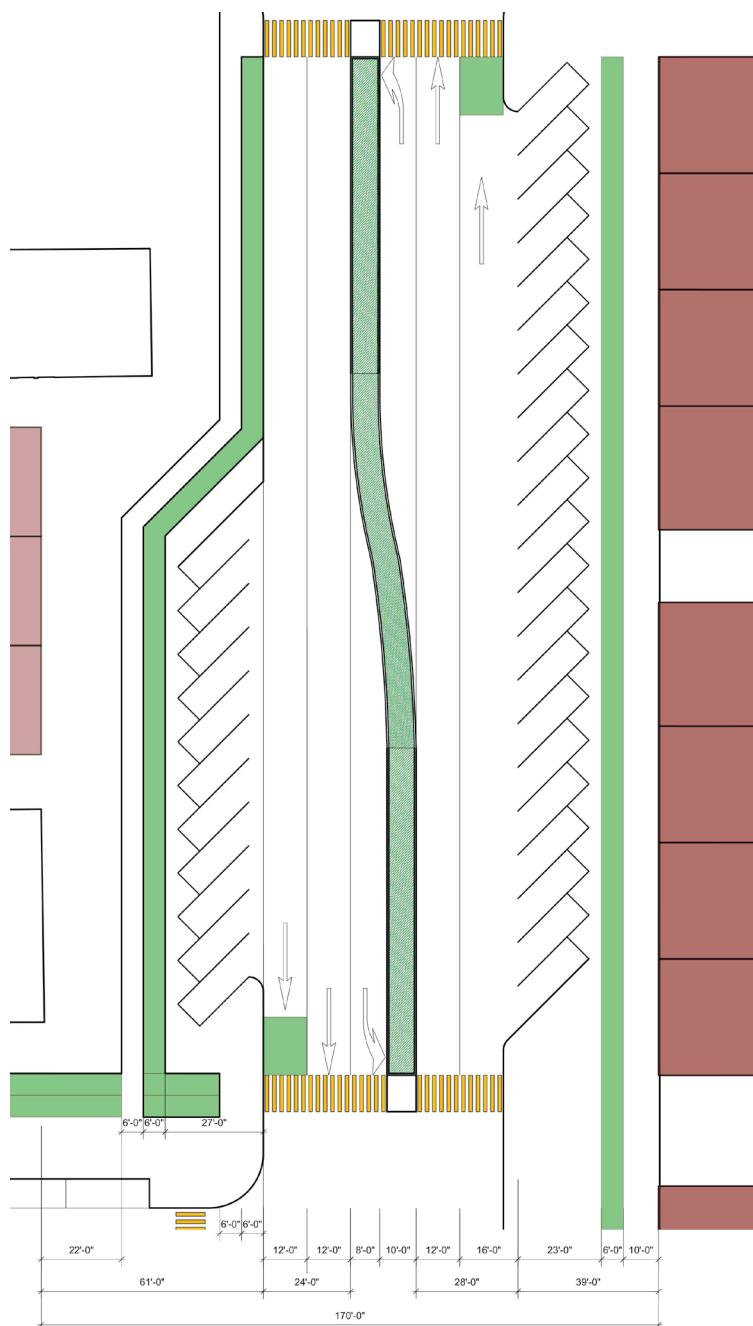
court may grant the petition without a hearing.

Date: OCT. 1, 2021
Time: 1:45 p.m.
Dept.: 4

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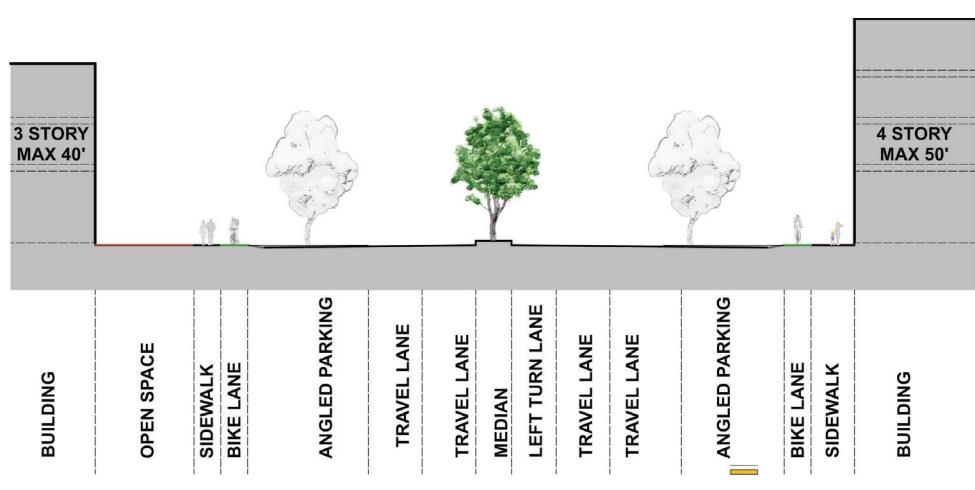
3. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in English:

I hereby certify that a regular meeting held on August 18, 2021, the Arcata City Council introduced Ordinance No. 1547, summarized below. An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Arcata Amending the Chapman House Historic Landmark Ordinance, at which time the



CENTRAL AVENUE Conceptual plans reviewed by the McKinleyville Municipal Advisory Committee show what Central Avenue could look like just north of Hiller Road. There would be a landscaped median strip, four travel lanes and angled parking on each side of Central Avenue. Three and four-story buildings might be allowed, with room for outdoor sidewalk eating areas.

VIA HUMBOLDT COUNTY PLANNING



Proposal for diagonal parking along McK's Central Avenue meets county opposition

Jack Durham
MAD RIVER UNION
McKINLEYVILLE

Plans for the McKinleyville Town Center may include diagonal parking on both sides of Central Avenue just north of Hiller Road.

The design would be similar to G and H streets on the Arcata Plaza, where drivers have to back out into a travel lane to get out of their parking spots and on the road.

The proposal is included in conceptual designs reviewed Sept. 1 by the McKinleyville Municipal

Advisory Committee (McKMAC), whose members were generally supportive of the idea, which is intended to slow down traffic.

By doing so, planners hope to make it easier for pedestrians and bicyclists to travel between the two sides of the McKinleyville Town Center, which is divided by Central Avenue.

But County Public Works, which has jurisdiction over roads in McKinleyville, opposes the diagonal parking proposal.

"We have major traffic safety concerns about individuals backing their vehicles into a high volume high speed road," stated Public Works Director Tom Mattson in an email. "This concept is good where the speed is 25 mph and there are two lanes of traffic with much less volume such as in downtown Garberville or Orick."

Central Avenue is the busiest street in the county's road system. In 2013, when the McKMAC reviewed a Central Avenue pedestrian improvement project, county officials said that Central Avenue averages 18,000 vehicles a day. The speed limit is 35 mph.

Some pedestrians find crossing Central Avenue a daunting experience. The portion of Central in the Town Center has four travel lanes, a center turn lane and bicycle lanes on each side.

McKMAC member Pat Kaspari said that given the current state of Central Avenue, it's unlikely that he would walk from Pierson Park to the nearby McKinleyville Shopping Center to get a cup of coffee. He would likely drive.

Traffic calming measures, several meeting attendees said, could help connect the two sides of the Town Center and make them walkable.

McMAC Chair Maya Conrad said that without traffic calming measures

on Central Avenue, it will be hard to create a "heart" for the Town Center.

The east side of the Town Center extends from roughly Heartwood Drive to Railroad Drive and extends east to include Pierson Park, which is home to Azalea Hall (a community and senior center), the McKinleyville Sheriff's Office, McKinleyville Library, Activity Center and Teen Center.

The east side of the Town Center includes shopping areas and the McKinleyville Fire Station.

The west side of the McKinleyville Town Center includes the McKinleyville Shopping Center and a retail area where Burger King is located.

County Planner John Miller informed the committee about Public Works' opposition to the parking proposal, and said planners would continue to work with Public Works on the proposal.

As was noted at the meeting, all of these plans are conceptual. They are not development plans.

Most of the undeveloped property in the McKinleyville Town Center is located behind the McKinleyville Shopping Center and south of Hiller Road. Most of it is owned by the Pierson Family.

County planners will begin working on draft language for a McKinleyville Town Center ordinance, which will be brought back to the McKMAC for review.

After the McKMAC makes a recommendation, the ordinance will come before the Humboldt County Planning Commission and then the Board of Supervisors.

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